## **HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 498**

## By Parkinson

A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize Jatoya Ward, 2017 Salutatorian of Douglass High School.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those students who, through their natural talents and unflagging commitment to academic excellence, have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Jatoya Ward is one such exceptional student who was recently named Salutatorian of the 2017 graduating class at Douglass High School; and

WHEREAS, through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and steadfast commitment of time and talent, Jatoya Ward achieved outstanding academic success and joined the ranks of the best and brightest students in Tennessee and our country; and

WHEREAS, Jatoya Ward would have been the Salutatorian at Northside High School this year, but that school was closed, and she attended Douglass High School for her senior year; and

WHEREAS, in her remarkable high school career, Jatoya Ward earned an exemplary grade point average; and

WHEREAS, Jatoya Ward's display of intellectual aptitude and ambition surely bodes well for her future success; and

WHEREAS, Jatoya Ward's noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for her family, her school, and her community; and

WHEREAS, Jatoya Ward's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of the members of this General Assembly; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED
TENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE
CONCURRING, that we hereby commend and honor the 2017 Douglass High School

Salutatorian, Jatoya Ward, on her impressive academic achievement and extend to her our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.